

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA SENATE 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND IRRIGATION**

**Call to Order:** Chair Taylor Brown, on April 7, 2015 at 3:00 PM, in Room 335 Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

##### **Members Present:**

Sen. Taylor Brown, Chair (R)  
Sen. Brian Hoven, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. Jill Cohenour (D)  
Sen. JP Pomnichowski (D)  
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)  
Sen. Nels Swandal (R)

##### **Members Excused:**

Sen. Mary Caferro (D)  
Sen. Kris Hansen (R)  
Sen. David Howard (R)  
Sen. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R)  
Sen. Cynthia Wolken (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Angie Koehler, Committee Secretary  
Joe Kolman, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

##### **Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 629, 4/1/2015; SR 51, 4/1/2015

##### **Executive Action:**

SR 51 Be Adopted

**HEARING ON HB 629**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:25 Rep. Alan Redfield (R), HD 59, opened the hearing on HB 629, Revise board of livestock laws.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:03:07 Chairman Brown  
00:03:42 Rep. Redfield  
00:04:16 Sen. Hoven  
00:04:22 Rep. Redfield  
00:04:31 Sen. Pomnichowski  
00:04:44 Rep. Redfield  
00:04:55 Chairman Brown  
00:05:12 Rep. Redfield

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:05:31 Rep. Redfield

00:06:05 Chairman Brown turned chair responsibilities over to Vice Chair Hoven.

**HEARING ON SR 51**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:06:39 Sen. Taylor Brown (R), SD 28, opened the hearing on SR 51, Confirm appointee for board of hail insurance.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:07:43 Benjamin Tiller, staff attorney, Department of Agriculture

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:10:09 Sen. T. Brown

00:11:03 Chairman Brown resumed chair responsibilities.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 51**

00:11:25 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Cohenour moved that **SR 51 DO PASS**. Motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. Sen. Caferro, Sen. Hansen, Sen. Howard, Sen. Moore and Sen. Wolken were excused.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 629**

00:12:06 **Motion:** Sen. Swandal moved that **HB 629 BE CONCURRED IN**.

**Discussion:**

00:12:22 Sen. Cohenour  
00:12:46 Chairman Brown  
00:13:53 Sen. Cohenour  
00:13:59 Chairman Brown  
00:14:13 Sen. Swandal  
00:14:19 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy  
00:15:20 Sen. Hoven  
00:16:13 Sen. Cohenour  
00:16:38 Chairman Brown  
00:16:57 Sen. Cohenour  
00:17:09 Chairman Brown  
00:17:17 Sen. Cohenour  
00:17:21 Chairman Brown  
00:17:33 Sen. Hoven  
00:17:53 Sen. Cohenour  
00:17:57 Chairman Brown

00:18:08 Without objection, Sen. Swandal withdrew the BE CONCURRED IN motion.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 3:21 P.M.

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Angie Koehler, Secretary

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**EXHIBIT**([ags69aad.pdf](#))